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1. SUMMARY: CCD PLENARY TOOK DECISION TO ESTABLISH SEISMIC EXPERTS GROUP PURSUANT TO SWEDISH PROPOSAL, WITH FIRST MEETING SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 2. USSR REP GAVE STATEMENT ASSESSING CW INFORMAL MEETINGS WITH EXPERTS. US, UK, ITALY, SWEDEN, ROMANIA, AND YUGOSLAVIA ALL SPOKE ON THE MID-TERM REVIEW OF THE DISARMAMENT DECADE; YUGOSLAVIA ALSO ADDRESSED CHEMICAL WEAPONS ISSUES. END SUMMARY

2. AT END OF JULY 22 PLENARY, CCD TOOK CONSENSUS DECISION TO ESTABLISH SEISMIC EXPERTS GROUP AS PROPOSED BY SWEDEN; FIRST MEETING OF THE GROUP IS SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, AUGUST 2. SWEDISH REP (THORSSON) WELCOMED THE DECISION, SAYING THAT THE RESULTS OF THE GROUP'S WORK WOULD BE AN IMPORTANT ELEMENT IN THE POLITICAL CONSIDERATION OF A CTB. NIGERIAN REP (CLARK) STATED HE HAD REFRAINED FROM OPPOSING CONSENSUS DECISION OUT OF RESPECT FOR SWEDISH INTEGRITY AND GOOD FAITH IN DISARMAMENT MATTERS, BUT SAID THE SEISMIC GROUP'S "PRESENT PROFILE IS THAT OF A PREGNANCY WITHOUT A FETUS" AND THAT IT DOES NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE CAPACITY OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO CONTRIBUTE TO CONSIDERATION OF A TOPIC WHICH HAS WORLDWIDE INTEREST. HE READ OUT CHANGES WHICH HE HAD SUGGESTED TO THE TEXT OF THE DECISION SAYING THAT THEY HAD NOT BEEN ACCEPTABLE TO ITS SWEDISH SPONSORS AND THAT HE REGRETTED THEY HAD NOT BEEN INCORPORATED. MEXICAN REP (CAMPOS-ICARDO) SAID HE TRUSTS THAT MEASURES SUCH AS THE SEISMIC GROUP WILL NOT SERVE TO CONCEAL A LACK OF POLITICAL WILL, AND WILL NOT BE USED AS A REASON NOT TO PROCEED TO THE CONCLUSION OF A COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN.

3. USSR REP (LIKHACHEV) SUMMARIZED CHEMICAL WEAPONS INFORMAL MEETINGS WITH EXPERTS HELD DURING JULY 5 THROUGH 8. THE SCOPE OF A CW BAN, HE SAID, SEEMED GENERALLY AGREED TO; MOST EXPERTS HAD ADVOCATED A TOTAL BAN BUT HAD FOUND A STEP-BY-STEP APPROACH ACCEPTABLE. LIKHACHEV STATED THAT THE APPLICABILITY OF A GENERAL PURPOSE CRITERION HAS GAINED CONSENSUS ACCEPTANCE, AND THAT TOXICITY SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED AS A SECONDARY CRITERION. HE THEN DEFENDED THE NATIONAL CONTROL MEASURES OF VERIFICATION PUT FORWARD IN THE 1972 SOVIET DRAFT PROPOSAL ON CW, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SAYING THAT SCIENTIFIC PROGRESS SINCE THAT TIME HAS REINFORCED THEIR VALUE AND ACCURACY.

4. US REP (MARTIN), SPEAKING ON THE MID-TERM REVIEW OF THE DISARMAMENT DECADE, REVIEWED THE VARIOUS AGREEMENTS WHICH HAVE BEEN REACHED AND STRESSED THE VALUE OF THE STEP-BY-STEP APPROACH. DECLARING THAT "THERE IS NOT ONE ARMS RACE BUT MANY." MARTIN REFERRED TO HIS APRIL 1975

STATEMENT ON CONVENTIONAL ARMS AND URGED THAT THE CCD
INTENSIFY ITS EFFORTS IN THE CONVENTIONAL ARMS FIELD.
HE SAID THAT A BALANCED PROGRAM INCLUDING CONVENTIONAL ARMS
AND NUCLEAR ARMS QUESTIONS WOULD BE MORE REALISTIC THAN
A MORE RIGIDLY ORGANIZED NEGOTIATING PROGRAM (AS
RECOMMENDED BY NIGERIAN REP IN PRECEDING PLENARY).

5. UK REP (ALLEN), IN A VERY BRIEF INTERVENTION, DECLARED
THAT DEEP DIVERGENCES OF VIEW RATHER THAN PROCEDURAL
QUESTIONS STAND IN THE WAY OF CERTAIN TYPES OF ARMS
CONTROL AGREEMENTS. ON THE ISSUE OF A COMPREHENSIVE
TEST BAN, HE DECLARED THE DIFFICULTY TO BE THAT OF
BRIDGING THE GAP BETWEEN A GROUP OF COUNTRIES WHO FEEL
THEY CANNOT ADHERE TO SUCH A BAN UNLESS THEY WILL BE
CERTAIN THAT ALL PARTIES ARE OBERVING IT, AND ANOTHER
GROUP OF COUNTRIES WHO FEEL THEY CANNOT ADHERE IF THE
VERIFICATION TECHNIQUES ARE CONSIDERED TOO INTRUSIVE.

6. ITALIAN REP (DIBERNARDO) DECLARED HIS CONVICTION THAT
CCD IS THE BEST FORUM FOR CARRYING THE DISARMAMENT
DIALOGUE FORWARD, BUT SAID THAT PROGRESS WOULD DEPEND
ON THE COMMITMENT AND WILL OF THE GOVERNMENTS CONCERNED.
DIBERNARDO DECLARED THAT ITALY PLACES TOP PRIORITY ON
ACHIEVING A CTB, AND CALLED ON THE US AND USSR "TO
REDOUBLE THEIR EFFORTS" PURSUANT TO THE 1974 JOINT
INITIATIVE ON CHEMICAL WEAPONS. REFERRING TO THE INFORMAL
MEETINGS WITH EXPERTS ON NEW WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION TO
BE HELD DUIRJNG THE WEEK OF AUGUST 9, DIBERNARDO ANNOUNCED
THAT ITALY WOULD SEND AN EXPERT.ABRAMS

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7. SWEDISH UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE INGA THORSSON, MAKING
HER FIRST STATEMENT DURING CVD'S SUMMER SESSION, DISCUSSED
THE ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS OF MILITARY EXPENDITURES. SHE
URGED THE CCD TO KEEP CLOSE CONTACT WITH THE FNCOMMITTEE
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FOR DEVELOPMENT PLANNING WHILE AN ANALYTICAL SURVEY OF
MEASURES FOR DISARMAMENT AND DEVELOPMENT IS BEING PREPARED.

8. ROMANIAN REP (ENE) PRAISED THE DESIGNATION OF
PARTICULAR TOPICS FOR CONSIDERATION AT PLENARYMEETINGS,
EXPRESSING THE HOPE THAT THIS WOULD BECOME AN ACCEPTED
TECHNIQUE. HE SAID ROMANIA HAS ALWAYS RECOGNIZED THE
LIMITS OF A NEGOTIATING BOY WHEN THERE IS A LACK OF
POLITICAL WILL,BUT SAID THIS DOES NOT ABSOLVE CCD OF
ITS RESPONSIBILITY FOR PUSHING ASIDE THE BASIC OBJECTIVES
CONFIDED TO IT DURING THE FIRST FIVE YEARS OF THE
DISARMAMENT DECADE. HE DECLARED IT ESSENTIAL TO DEVELOP
A COMPREHENSIVE NEGOTIATING PROGRAM AND SUPPORTED
NIGERIA'S SUGGESTION (PARA 7 REFTEL) TO DO SO DURING THE
CCD'S 1977 SPRING SESSION.
YUGOSLAVIAN REP (LALOVIC) ALSO SUPPORTED NIGERIA'S
CALL FOR CCD TO ADOPT A PROGRAM OF "PRIORITY TASKS WHICH
HAVE BEEN DETERMINED AND SUCCESSIVELY REPEATED EVERY
YEAR BY THE UNGA," DECLARING THAT TIME SPENT ON THIS

"CANNOT BE CONSIDERED LOST OR UNPRODUCTIVE, EVEN IF THE CCD HAS TO DEVOTE THE GREATER PART OF THE SPRING SESSION TO THIS".

10. DISCUSSING THE RECENT CW INFORMAL MEETINGS WITH EXPERTS, THE YUGOSLAVIAN REP SAID THAT "THE NECESSARY BREAKTHROUGH HAS NOT BEEN MADE." HE PRAISED THE UK ANNOUNCEMENT OF ITS FORTHCOMING CW PROPOSAL, AND DECLARED THAT SOLUTIONS TO CW ISSUES "SHOULD BE SOUGHT PRIMARILY IN TERMS OF POLITICAL READINESS TO ACCEPT THE PROHIBITION OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS." HE SAID THAT A COMPREHENSIVE PROHIBITION WOULD MEAN "THE CONTROLLED DESTRUCTION OF EXISTING STOCKPILES OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS IN THE SHORTEST POSSIBLE TIME, EFFECTIVE PREVENTION OF FURTHER PRODUCTION OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS AND PREVENTION OF THE PROLIFERATION OF THESE WEAPONS." IF A PHASED AGREEMENT LEADING TO A TOTAL BAN HAD SPECIFIC PROVISIONS, THAT WOULD BE ACCAH (#) HOWEVER, LALOVIC ADDED, "A STAGE BY STAGE APPROACH TO PROHIBITION OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS, LACKING A SCHEDULE BOTH IN REGARD TO CATEGORIES OF LETHAL POISONS AND TO DESTRUCTION OF EXISTING STOCKS, WOULD NOT BE ACCEPTABLE" TO COUNTRIES WHICH DO NOT POSSESS CHEMICAL WEAPONS, BECAUSE THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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POTENTIAL DANGER WOULD CONTINUE TO EXIST.

11. LALOVIC, CITING THE US EXAMPLE, DECLARED THE FIRST STEP TOWARD A COMPREHENSIVE PROHIBITION OF CW "WOULD BE PUBLIC DECLARATION OF THE POSSESSION OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS." TO PREVENT THE PROLIFERATION OF CW, POSSESSOR COUNTRIES SHOULD THEN UNDERTAKE A PUBLIC OBLIGATION, HE DECLARED, "NOT TO STOCKPILE THEM OUTSIDE THEIR OWN BOUNDARIES AND ALSO EITHER TO WITHDRAW THEM WITHIN THEIR OWN BOUNDARIES OR DESTROY THEM; NOT TO SUPPLY CHEMICAL WEAPONS TO OTHER COUNTRIES, NOR, BY TRANSFER OF MEANS, TECHNOLOGY, PERSONNEL AND KNOW-HOW, TO ENABLE OTHER COUNTRIES TO DEVELOP AND MANUFACTURE CHEMICAL WEAPONS." IN ADDITION HE ADVOCATED PARALLEL PUBLIC OBLIGATIONS ON THE PART OF COUNTRIES NOT POSSESSING CW, INCLUDING "THE OBLIGATION NOT TO PERMIT THE STATIONING OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS ON THEIR TERRITORY."

12. ON CW VERIFICATION, THE YUGOSLAVIA REP DECLARED THAT THE BEST SOLUTION WOULD BE "A COMBINATION OF NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL VERIFICATION OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF OBLIGATIONS DERIVING FROM ((THE)) AGREEMENT." HE CONCLUDED HIS REMARKS ON CW BY WELCOMING THE US SUGGESTION ON JULY 15 THAT CCD CONSIDER THE FEASIBILITY AND UTILITY OF TECHNICAL EXCHANGE VISITS TO VARIOUS CHEMICAL PRODUCTION OR DISPOSAL FACILITIES, CALLING SUCH A PROGRAM A CONFIDENCE-BUILDING MEASURE.

13. NEXT PLENARY SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, JULY 27.ABRAMS

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